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TRANSPORTATION AND  
INFILTRATION ACTIVITY  
SOUTHEAST ASIA**

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## PREFACE

This report is a summary of selected information on transportation and infiltration activity in Southeast Asia, primarily the Laotian Panhandle, as reported by NPIC during the period indicated on the cover. For a comprehensive study of road development in this area prior to [REDACTED] see NPIC R-110/66, Communist Road Net Development in the Laotian Panhandle (CONFIDENTIAL NO FOREIGN DISSEM [REDACTED])

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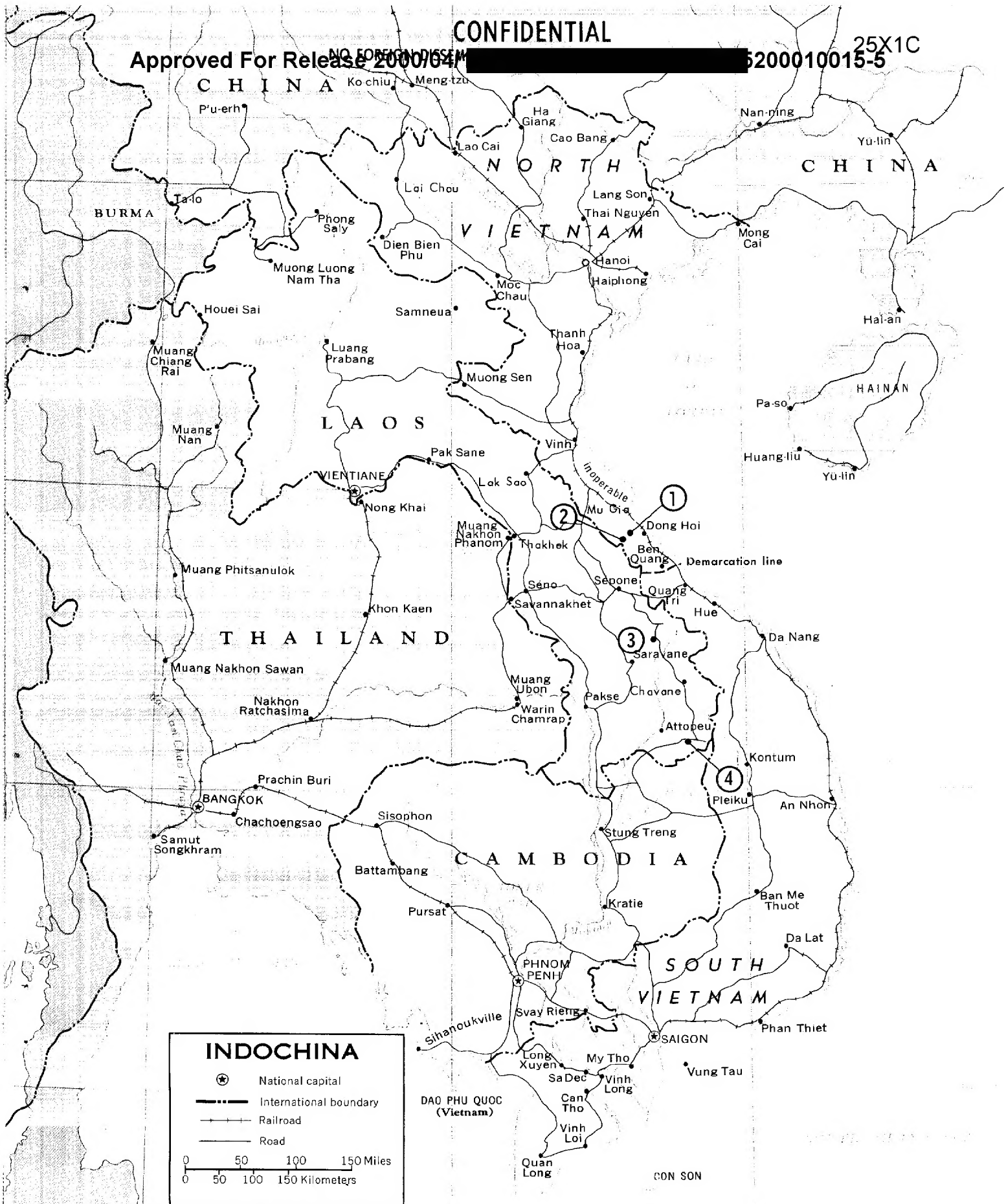
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### New Route Designations

CINCPAC has assigned route designations to previously unnumbered roads as follows:

Unnumbered Road A is now Route 912 in Laos and Route 137 in North Vietnam.

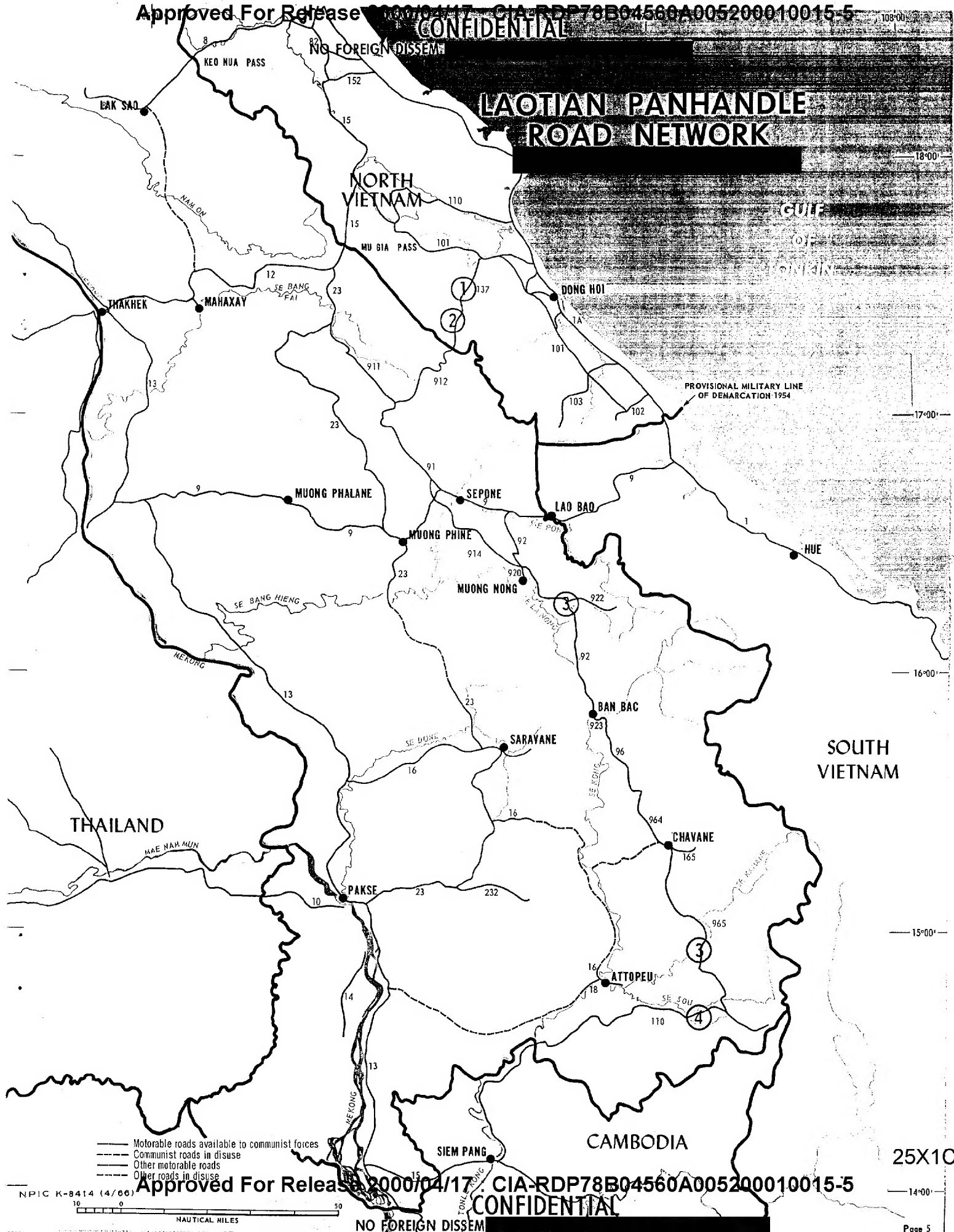
Unnumbered Road B is now Route 914.

Unnumbered Road C is now Route 965.

Unnumbered Road D is now Route 110.

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1. Military Activity on Routes 137 and 101

The following military activity is observed on North Vietnam Routes 137 and 101.

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The construction camp on the east side of Route 137 at [REDACTED] has been expanded and now contains at least [REDACTED] extensive bivouac areas, a foot bridge across an unnamed stream, and defenses including 4 unoccupied HMGAA positions, 15 unoccupied AW positions, 19 foxholes, and 3 personnel trenches. A by-pass of Route 137 is intermittently observed extending northeast from [REDACTED] generally paralleling the road to a junction at [REDACTED]. An access road extends from the by-pass at [REDACTED], east for 400 yards to a possible bivouac area at [REDACTED]. Two additional access roads extend from Route 137 at [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and join at a probable bivouac area at [REDACTED]. From this point, a road extends to [REDACTED]. A truck park at 17-34N 106-18E consists of a loop road with numerous turn-offs joining Route 137 at [REDACTED] and UTM [REDACTED]. A large military camp and storage area at [REDACTED] consists of 9 partially concealed buildings, numerous cleared areas, 2 unoccupied AW positions, 15 foxholes, and extensive trenching. The access road from this area forks and joins Route 137 at [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] are at [REDACTED]. A probable storage facility at 17-35N 106-18E consists of 5 [REDACTED] dispersed buildings connected by trails. Vehicle tracks lead to the area from Route 137. A [REDACTED] probable vehicle is located at [REDACTED].

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Three ferry boats are observed on the Song Troc (River) in the vicinity of the Route 101 ferry crossing at 17-36N 106-18E. One [REDACTED] ferry is moored to the south river bank at UTM [REDACTED] a second [REDACTED] ferry is moored in a specially constructed berth on the north bank [REDACTED] and a third ferry is sunk near the north bank at UTM [REDACTED]. Occupied ferry defenses include one 6-position light AAA site at [REDACTED] one 6-position light AAA site at [REDACTED] one 4-position HMGAA site at [REDACTED] and 2 AW positions at [REDACTED]. A well-used storage facility with vehicle tracks leading to Route 101 is observed at [REDACTED]. The facility consists of 1 partially concealed building and 3 cleared areas near the base of a large karst hill. At least 4 camouflaged vehicles were parked nearby at [REDACTED].

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2. Route 137 Alignment Complete

The previously reported segments of Route 137 are now fully connected. The alignment extends from a junction with North Vietnam Route 101 at 17-36N 106-18E generally southwest, becoming Laos Route 912 at the border, to a junction with Laos Route 911 at 17-03N 105-57E. The route appears to be in a late stage of construction with limited serviceability. Vehicle tracks are observed along the entire road; however, there is no evidence of current through-traffic use. The final connecting segment of Route 137 extends from the previous construction terminus at 17-26N 106-13E generally SSW, crossing the Toun Prou (stream), to former terminus at 17-21N 106-12E.

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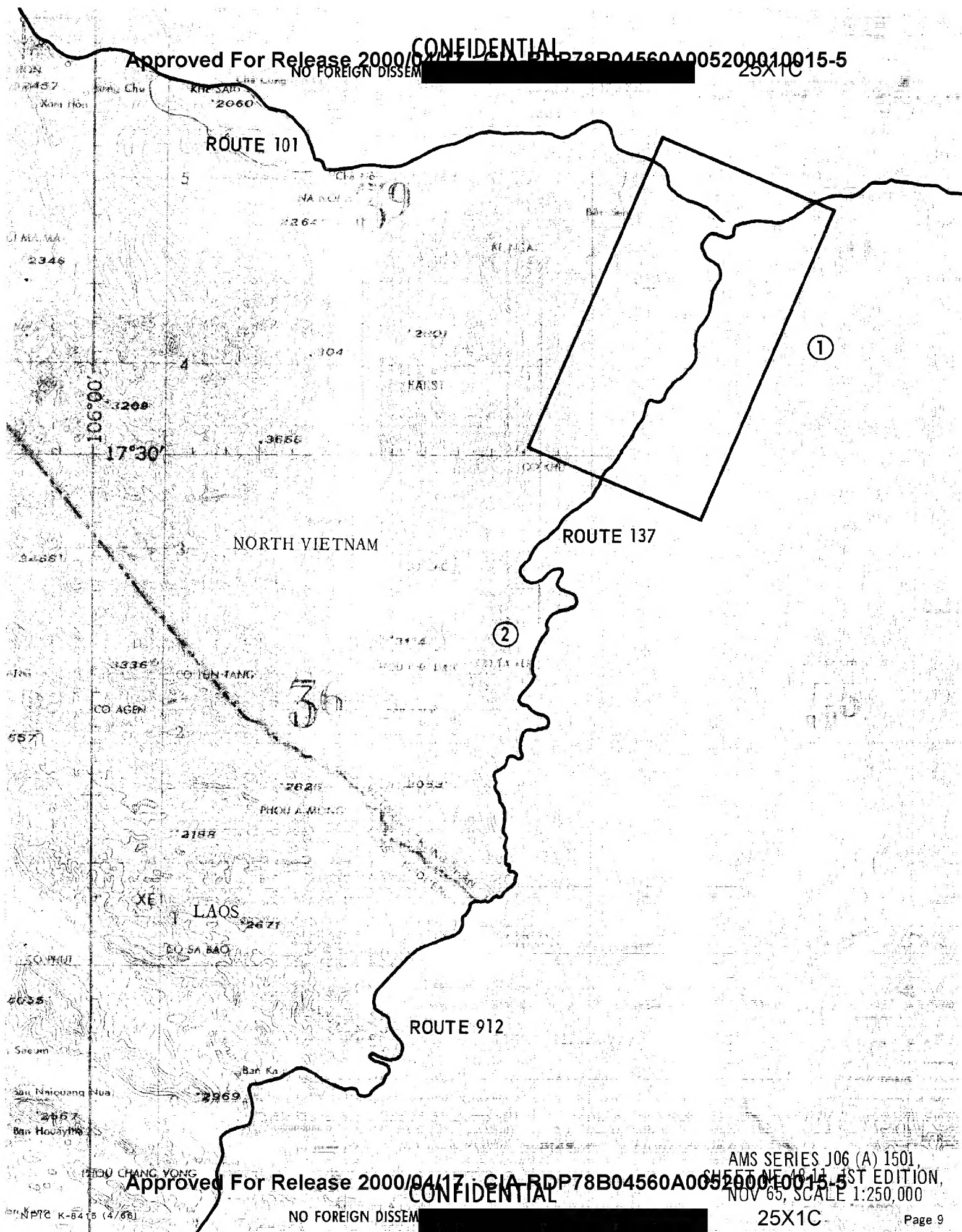
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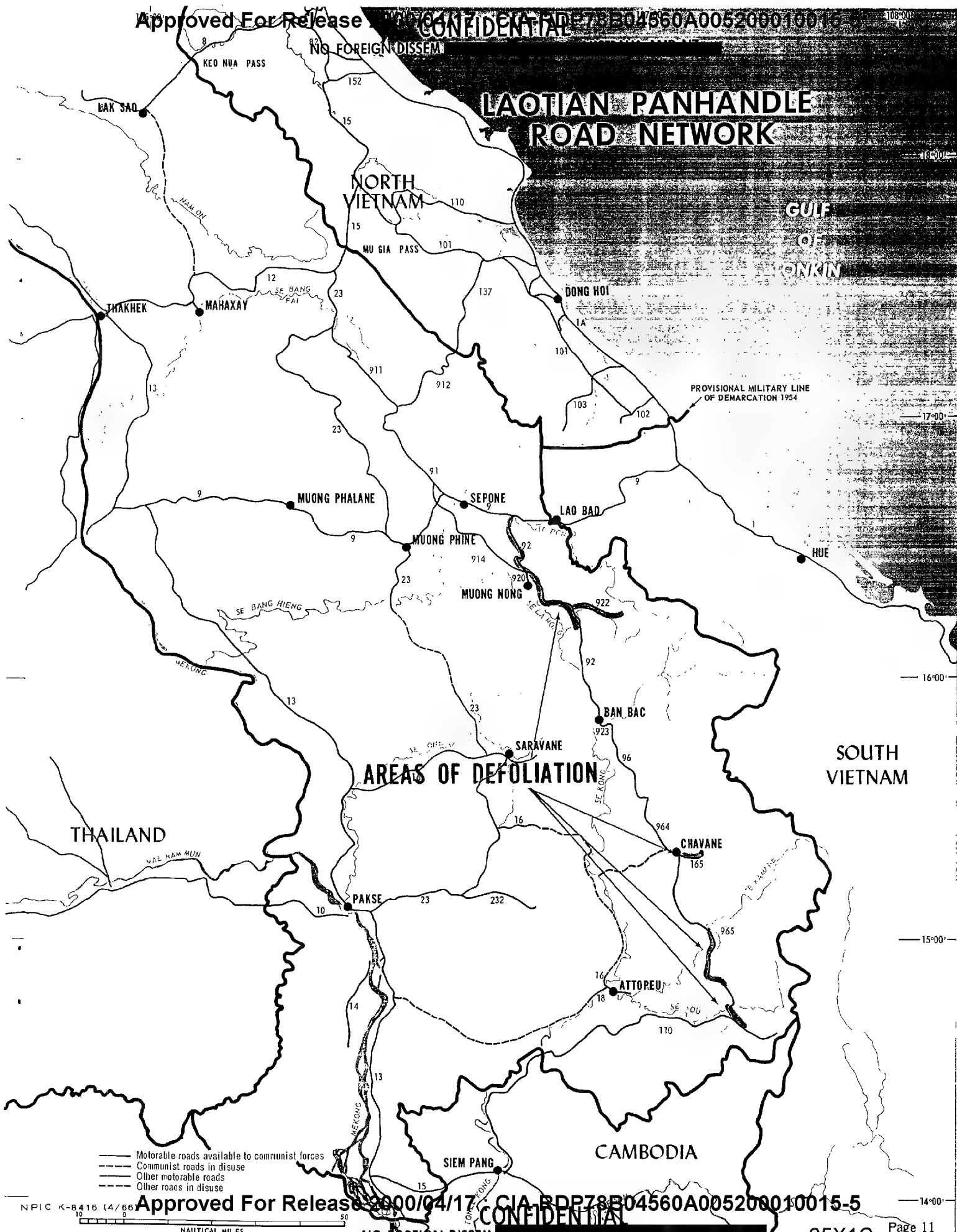


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4. Possible Truck Parks Along Route 110

Four possible truck parks, each served by a loop access road, are observed along Route 110 at 14-34N 107-15E [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].

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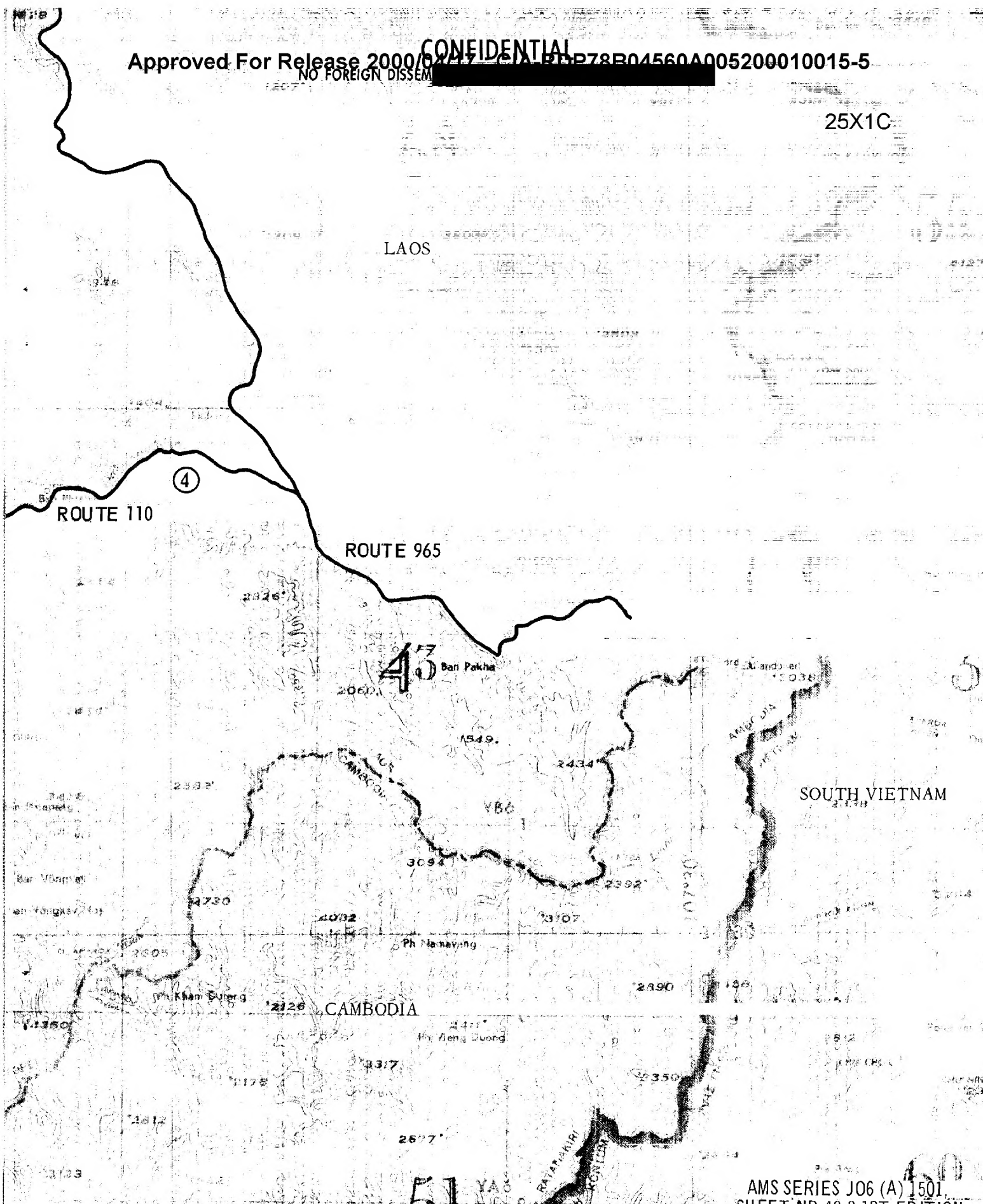
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